

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 62, line 3, after "is" insert --proportional or--.

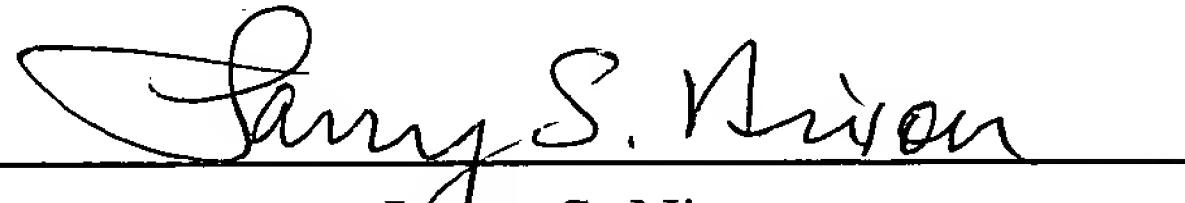
REMARKS

The above preliminary amendment is presented to formalize the uninitialled handwritten changes made by the inventor at the time of execution. None of these changes is believed to present any "new matter" and, accordingly, rather than to require the inventor to execute and date each such correction, the above amendments have been proffered.

Respectfully submitted,

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